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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: White House Meeting of the Legislative Interdepartmental Group - 26 January 1972

On 26 January 1972, I attended a meeting of the LIG at 1600 hours in the Roosevelt Room of the White House. The meeting was chaired by General Al Haig and participants included:

National Security Council

Colonel Richard Kennedy

Mr. John Lehman

Mr. Helmut (Hal) Sonnenfeldt

Mr. James T. Hackett

White House

Mr. Thomas Korologos

Mr. Richard Cook

Mr. Fred Fielding

Mr. Larry Brody

Mr. John Russell Deane

Office of Management and Budget

Mr. William Gifford

Department of State

Mr. David Abshire

Mr. Charles Brower

Department of Defense

General James Lawrence Mr. Stuart French

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Mr. Matt Harvey

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The following items were discussed:

- 1. The Administration feels that the <u>Foreign Aid</u> legislation which it supports should be pushed vigorously now to take advantage of the favorable congressional climate which it hopes will result from White House disclosures regarding the Vietnam peace negotiations.
- 2. The White House wants to review carefully the statements which Ambassadors Farland and Keating will make when called before the Senate Foreign Relations Committee.

4. Political problems of the Azores Agreement were discussed.

6. On the Mansfield proposal to cut our NATO forces, Korologos speculated that since the President's speech had taken some of the steam out of the "date certain" issue, Mansfield could be expected to concentrate his attention on the NATO matter. Haig said this could create a very serious problem, noting that our contribution to NATO

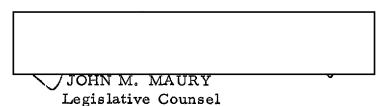
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could have major impact on broader European questions, particularly concerning our efforts to promote European economic harmony.

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8. Other items discussed were Athens Homeporting of the 6th Fleet, the Panama Canal, the Case bill (we will receive a State Department paper for comment), War Powers (State will draft a strategy paper), and Debriefing of Codels (State will draft a policy guide for future reference).

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25X1 Talked to Mr. Carl Blake, Administrative 4. Assistant to Representative Donald Riegle (R., Mich.), and changed the meeting time with Mr. Carver, SAVA, to Tuesday at 3:00 p.m. Representative 25X1A Riegle would be unable to make the meeting as originally scheduled for OS, and Mr. Carver have been advised. Wednesday. 25X1 5. Received a call from a Miss Orth, Representative John Brademas' (D., Ind.) Select Subcommittee on Education staff, concerning a film entitled "Dixie Mission to China." Miss Orth indicated that her office is assisting BBC in London in attempting to obtain a copy to be used in part in a backgrounder concerning President Nixon's trip to China. Miss Orth said copies of the film had been located with Peter Davis Production in New York but "they wanted an exorbitant price." She would like a copy of it, if possible, since it is within the public domain and if not available through the Agency, where and how she can go about 25X1A and Mr. Houston, OGC, have been obtaining a copy. advised. 25X1 Called Tom Korologos, White House staff, to say that the Director's appearance before the Senate Armed Services Committee yesterday had gone smoothly and the only question regarding the reorganization of the intelligence community had come from Senator Stuart Symington who was apparently pacified by the Director's answer. 25X1 Accompanied George Carver, SAVA, who briefed Senator Milton Young in response to his request for a rundown on the present situation in Indochina. Senator Young asked about reports of a nuclear weapons program in India and I said I would check with the experts and give him an answer. Called Ralph Preston, Staff Assistant, 25X1 House Appropriations Committee, to say the Director would like a meeting with Chairman Mahon before appearing before the Defense Appropriations Subcom-

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mittee next week. Preston called back to confirm a meeting for 2:00 p.m.

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	to say Frank Slatinsnek, A	ssistant Chief Counsel, House Armed Services	
	Committee, had called to say that Representative Lucien Nedzi, Chairman of		
	the Intelligence Subcommittee, wanted somebody from the White House to		
	come over and brief him on the intelligence community reorganization.		
	After consulting the Director, I called Cook back to say the Director had		
	already discussed this in detail with Mr. Nedzi and felt he was not the one		
	to do this, and suggested that George Shultz, OMB, might be the best White		
	to do this, and suggested in	11 on. I passed on to Cook the Director's further	
	House representative to ca	touch with Chalte and Dr. Kissinger to make sure	
	suggestion that Cook get in	touch with Shultz and Dr. Kissinger to make sure	
5X1	how they wished to handle	the problem.	
25X1B	10.	Received a call from Mr. Winslow Wheeler,	
	in the office of Senator Jac	ob Javits (R., N.Y.), asking for a biographic	
	report on	After	
	checking with CRS, I calle	d Mr. Wheeler back informing him that the biography	
	would be ready Monday. I	He said this would be fine.	
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